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INTO A CREEK.

Big Four Train Out of St. Louis Wrecked and Burned.

Baggageman Ressler Killed and Nineteen People Injured.

The Cars Were Hurled From a Trestle and at Once Took Fire.

Heroic Work Saved the Wounded From Cremation in the Burning Wreck—One of the Passengers Thought to Be Fatally Injured—Complete List of Names—Several St. Louisans on Board—The Accident Happened Near Pana, Ill., at 11 O'Clock Last Night.

PANA, Ill., Feb. 8.—Following close upon the disaster at Alton Junction, with its awful loss of life, another big catastrophe to the Big Four occurred last night at 11 o'clock, two miles east of Pana, Ill., Train No. 12, called the New York and Boston Express, out of St. Louis, Conductor Fitzgerald, left the track and burned, entailing the loss of one life and injury to seventeen passengers. Two express messengers were also badly hurt.

The man killed was Charles Ressler, baggageman, living at Indianapolis. He was caught under the debris of the combination car and burned to death.

KILLED AND INJURED.

CHARLES RESSLER, baggageman; Indianapolis, Ind.

THE INJURED.

SAMUEL O. DOOLITTLE, Madison, Ind., express messenger, badly injured internally.

C. H. BARN, St. Louis, express messenger, slightly dislocated.

A. H. TRAVERS, Cincinnati, slightly bruised.

SAMUEL COHEN, Houston, Tex.; hurt about the head; internal injuries.

Jos. S. FOX, bruised about the head and shoulders; badly mashed.

MRS. ARMSTRONG, Bloomington, Ind., internal injuries; arm broken.

MAIL AGENTS CONWAY AND DEWITT, hurt about the head.

CHARLES W. CONLEY, Alma, Kan., cut in head and hand.

JAMES CARROLL, Alma, Kan., bruised and arm mashed.

CHARLES H. FOX, Tiffin, O., internal injuries.

H. M. HIBBERTON, St. Louis, injured in back and head.

JAMES N. NICHOLS, Mattoon, Ill., arm, leg, shoulder and hand bruised.

MRS. NEAL, residence unknown, probably fatally injured.

MATTHEW J. BANNER, Pawtucket, R. I., slightly injured.

W. E. MUSE, St. Louis, of the firm of Simon & Gregory, hand cut and back injured.

EDGAR EAKIN, Sabin, O.; face, side, shoulder and arm injured.

TWO CHILDREN OF MRS. LAUGHLIN OF KANSAS CITY, Mo.; seriously injured.

Mrs. Laughlin and four children were accompanied by the remains of her husband from Kansas City, Mo. The corpse was incinerated in the wreck.

HOW THE WRECK OCCURRED.

Train No. 12 is a through train carrying sleepers and passenger coaches. It was made up last night at the Union Depot at St. Louis and pulled out at 7:45 o'clock for the East with one mail car, one express car, a combination coach, and a first-class coach and three new Wagner sleepers. It left Pana at 11 o'clock and started eastward under full steam. It was going at the rate of forty-five miles an hour when it came to a trestle over a small creek about two miles out from town.

At this point the train struck a broken rail. The big engine passed safely over, but the rest of the train left the track and pulled out over 100 feet of the rails on the north side. The mail car was pulled along on the ties and frozen ground for over 1,000 feet, a part of the distance over a small bridge that spans a dry creek or run. The cars did not telescope, but were piled along the side of the track from the bottom of the creek westward.

FIRE ADDS ITS HORROR.

Both ends of the car took fire, presumably from the lamps or stove and with all the mail matter in sacks and pouches were consumed. It went like a tinder box, and the registered mail was saved. The remainder of the train down in the ditch also took fire almost instantly and before the passengers in the sleepers could get out the forward end, the express and the combination baggage and smoke were a mass of flames.

RESSLER'S TERRIBLE FATE.

Baggageman Ressler was thrown under a pile of trunks and broken parts of the combination coach, which was the only one that was overturned, and it was impossible to rescue him. The fire burned with such fury that it seemed almost if it came up from the earth and enveloped everything in its reach.

Ressler's cries could be heard by the horrified passengers and trainmen, and were more heart-rending from their entire inability to help him. The sounds soon ceased, however, and the body burned to a crisp.

From the baggage car the flames spread to the first-class coach and thence to the sleepers, burning back to the end of the train, consuming one coach after another, and finally leaving only a trail of hot ashes and charred timbers. The Ohio & Mississippi Road made up a train at Pana and sent it at once to the scene of the accident. It took all the passengers back to Pana, where those most seriously hurt were taken to the St. James Hotel.

The citizens of the town turned out to render what assistance they could and every doctor in the place helped to alleviate the sufferings of the injured. In the morning the O. & M. train took all the passengers who could travel to Indianapolis.

THE NEWS AT INDIANAPOLIS.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 8.—Inquiry at the general offices of the Big Four road in this city this morning elicited little information beyond confirming the report of the wreck. It was stated that the eastbound passenger train on the St. Louis division had been delayed by the snow and that the train was burned. The fire had destroyed the poles and disabled the wires, thus cutting off

all communication with the city. It had been reported that the engine had been burned, and the passengers and the express messenger injured. The engineer and the fireman, it is believed, escaped unburnt. Pana is 167 miles west of Indianapolis.

SAW THE WRECK.

AGENT W. F. SNYDER DESCRIBES THE ACCIDENT AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.

W. F. Snyder, General Western Passenger Agent in St. Louis of the Big Four was on the wrecked train, having started to go to Cincinnati. His son, W. G. Green, commission man, who was in one of the coaches, came back to St. Louis this morning from the Vandam road. Mr. Snyder says the broken rail is attributable to the cold weather, and the accident could not have been avoided.

"It was in a berth of the rear sleeper," he said, "and when the shock came I was suddenly transferred to another berth, and the car went over badly and I was afraid it would go over any moment even after it had stopped. I performed my toilet with greater rapidity than usual, and made my way to the coach, as did the other passengers. When we got outside the combination car and the express were ablaze.

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IS FOR WALBRIDGE.

Thomas K. Niedringhaus Said to Be Supporting Him.

THE STATEMENT MADE TO A REPUBLICAN CLUB CONGRESS.

W. H. Osmer Discusses the Story—The Inference as to Mr. Sampson—The Push Button—Assistant Postmaster Sturgeon's Campaign for Comptroller—Political Club Meetings.

Thomas K. Niedringhaus, on whom the political mantle of ex-Congressman Frederick K. Niedringhaus has fallen, so far as active participation in political work is concerned, has been understood from the beginning of the campaign to be strongly in favor of the nomination of Clark H. Sampson as the Republican candidate for Mayor.

Indeed, it has been said that the money for the expense of Mr. Sampson's campaign was to be contributed by the Niedringhaus firm if he was nominated.

At a meeting last night of the Eleventh District Congress of Republican Clubs, an apparently authoritative statement was made by some one that Mr. Niedringhaus had made up his mind to support Cyrus P. Walbridge.

This was taken to mean that Mr. Niedringhaus had information that Mr. Sampson would not go into the canvass.

The friends of Mr. Walbridge, who have regarded Mr. Sampson as his most dangerous opponent, were jubilant to-day. W. H. Osmer, Secretary of the Council, who was at the meeting last night when this matter was discussed, said this morning that, as reported by the author, it was that while the manufacturer was a strong friend of Mr. Sampson, he should support Mr. Walbridge for the nomination.

Political Club Meetings.

The Nineteenth Ward Democratic Club will meet Thursday evening to decide which of the candidates for the mayoralty nomination to endorse. The presumption is that the members will endorse Hannerman, and that will be likely to give him the victory.

The Twenty-fifth Ward Tammany Club will hold an open meeting Thursday night at 8:30 Market street and will be addressed by good speakers.

The Fourth Ward Independent Club, D. J. Hickey, will meet Thursday night at its headquarters, 1626 North Broad street to discuss the campaign.

The Sixteenth Ward Young Men's Republican Club will hold a meeting at Kahlmann's Hall, Twenty-second and Madison streets, this evening.

The voters of the Twenty-sixth Ward, to whom the City Hall party may not have spoken, are called by the Rev. H. W. Wickenden of Taylor avenue and North Market street, at which a Democratic club will be organized. The officials of the Labor party met last night at the "Thousand Club" in Joyce's Hall, Taylor avenue, and North Market street, at which a Democratic club will be organized.

The speakers at the meeting were, as follows: "Nonunionism and Free Speech," or the trial before "Judge Socialism." The speeches were quite lengthy and attacked the existing local party and the methods of the national party. The promise of ruling the country in a few years were made.

The Mayor's Button. The button of the Missouri Democratic Association, which is the organization controlled by Mayor Noaman was brought to the City Hall to-day.

The coat lapel of Dr. E. M. Kerley, Superintendent of the Female Hospital, from an artistic standpoint, is the prettiest of all the buttons that have been made. The "a" is in this emblem, and on a cross is the word, "Missouri." All the employees are wearing them.

Sturgeon for Comptroller. At Postmaster Isaac H. Sturgeon has put himself a candidate for the Return nomination for Comptroller against John D. Stevenson.

The incense of Mr. Sturgeon was made light informally at a meeting in social hall at the Congress of Republican Club of the Eleventh District.

City Hall Notes. Fred W. Wood, Deputy City Treasurer of Kansas City, was at the City Hall this morning for the purpose of locking up the system in use here for the collection of the city taxes. Kansas City is said to find considerable difficulty in this line, and is anxiously seeking some means of improvement. He is in charge, in part, by Carl Unger of the Collector's office, who gave him the necessary pointers.

Collector Marshall has been appealed to for an opinion as to the proper legal method to follow in the disposal of the \$2,000 and jewelry found upon the old man, recently at the City Hospital. The property and money will probably be handed over to the Public Administrator.

The animal, a dog, which was found in the rear of 1216 Pine street this morning presented the city with a tame coon. The animal will be placed with his fellows of the same species in the enclosure at Forest Park.

Found Dead in Bed. Frederick Theodore Breidenbach, of 1208 of the rear of 1217 Wash street, was found dead by a machinist by trade, was found dead in the rear of 1217 Wash street at 2 o'clock this afternoon by an officer of the Third District.

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Contributions Being Solicited at New Orleans and Memphis—An Emissary's Sad Tale—Frozen Gripes Awaken the Sympathy of a Common Council—Legislation for Their Protection.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 8.—Four thousand persons in Catahoula and Concordia parishes, in the northern portion of Louisiana, are on the verge of starvation. Information was received here yesterday that the people have been driven to desperation by suffering and hunger, and unless aid is promptly sent them many deaths from starvation will follow.

The floods of last summer destroyed the crops of the former and the water remained on the earth so long that it was impossible to raise either corn, cotton or sugar cane, and nothing was planted except some quick-maturing vegetables late in the season. These were soon exhausted, however, and the farmers were compelled to sell out all of their earthly possessions to secure food.

This was only a temporary makeshift to keep the wolf from the door, and when they had nothing else to sell the people went to the swamps and killed squirrels, rabbits and coons. They have subsisted entirely on wild game during the winter, but the wholesale slaughter has depopulated the forests of every wild animal larger than a muskrat.

The people bore up bravely as long as possible without appealing to the outside world for assistance. Many moved away, but there are hundreds of others who were not able to leave.

The citizens of the adjoining parishes divided food with their suffering neighbors as long as they had any, but the constant drain on them exhausted their resources. Finally they concluded to appeal to the outside world for help. A committee was appointed to visit Memphis, New Orleans, Vicksburg and St. Louis to solicit aid.

Hugh Watson, editor of the *Liberty Herald*, chairman of the Relief Committee, arrived yesterday and made an appeal to the citizens of Memphis for money or provisions. The amount of funds enlisted.

The only food the people have had lately is pecans and acorns and what little they could get from the river banks was sent on with Mr. Ernest R. Kroezer, 212 Locust

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She says care will be taken of all

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WANTED—A night clerk; one that understands book-keeping; at hotel Kitchell, 14th and Washington av.

WANTED—A bright man that can do a picture, hand coloring, Catholic preferred. G. H. Cassidy, Capital Hotel.

MONEY to loan on furniture; small house a specialty; cheap and safe. Ad. 183.

HAVE you "Lariss" \$4 shoes? Judge their value by the months they wear. \$250 Blue st. 54

HAYWARD'S SHORT-Hand and Business College, 702, 704 and 706 Olive st.; day and night sessions. Phone 479.

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WANTED—Competent girl to do general house-work. Apply 2426 Morgan st., 1st floor.

WANTED—Immediately, a neat, willing young girl for general house-work; no washing; German or Swiss preferred. 4414 Washington av.

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WANTED—A little girl in need of a good home; small, pay can learn sewing, must assist with housework. Apply at store, 2616 Franklin av.

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WANTED—Good carriage painter. 2910 N. Broadway.

WANTED—One blacksmith helper at P. J. Cooney's, 900 Cass av.

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WANTED—Carriage woodworkers and blacksmiths; apply at once. J. W. Bangs, 8235 N. Broadway.

WANTED—Coker and bakers in string team. Rambole Shoe Factory, 212 Biddle st.

WANTED—Cushion maker, at Schep's Wagon and Carriage Co., Linn and Carr st.

WANTED—A maid for dining-room; John Marshall Furniture Works, 10th and Chestnut.

WANTED—A first-class maid to take charge of shop as foreman; but be sober, industrious and give references. Add. Y 181, this office.

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MEMBERS of the St. Louis Operative Stonemasons are hereby notified to be present at a mass-meeting of importance at Central Turner Hall, Friday, 10th inst., at 8 P. M.

PATRICK J. COSTELLO, President.

Laborers.

WANTED—At S. 10th and Locust, shovels on King's highway and Maryland av. J. S. Carroll.

WANTED—Lend money on houses, wagons, mules and all kinds of personal property. Ad. 919 Pine.

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WANTED—Boy in railway office. Address W 183.

WANTED—Boy with experience at the case. V. F. Rey, 10th and 102d.

WANTED—Boy who can sew, or work in store. Ad. 181.

WANTED—Boy to deliver packages. F. W. Humphrey & Co., Broadway and Pine.

WANTED—Offices boy about 16 years old, with references. Address F 183, this office.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED—Competent solicitor of liability and steam boiler insurance. 510 N. 3d st.

WANTED—Man for general farm and garden work. Inquire at Chapman's seed store, 911 4th.

WANTED—Middle-aged man who knows how to milk cows, take care of furnace and care for horses. Apply at 102d and Locust.

WANTED—Knowledgeable woman on women's work; go to work; steady employment. Apply to Des Moines Shoe Mfg. Co., Des Moines, Ia.

WANTED—A middle-aged woman to assist in running after 12 cows; must be sober and industrious. Apply to C. Harris, 6218 New Manchester.

\$3.00 P.M. pants to order. Mezzett Tailoring Co., 219 N. 3d st., hair Olives st., 2nd floor.

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WANTED—A girl of 20 wishes clean work in an office; state salary. Answer by mail to 129 S. 8th, East St. Louis. E. T. Gilligan.

Dressmakers and Seamstresses.

WANTED—Good dressmaker would like a few more customers. Add. 2351 Warren st. 46

Stenographers.

WANTED—Experienced stenographer desires position; salary for female for permanent employment. Add. O 182, this office.

General Housewives.

WANTED—By a young girl to do general house-work. 3942 Chouteau st.

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WANTED—Sister of a first-class cook and house-girl. 715 N. Jefferson av.

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WANTED—A cook, an cook of general house-work; small family preferred. Mrs. Mrs. Shaeffer, 1519 N. 14th st.

WANTED—Washing and ironing by colored lady. 919 Warren st.

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WANTED—A young girl to nurse one child and do upstairs work. 2631 Chestnut.

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